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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

This Amendment and accompanying Remarks are filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in response to the Final Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 14, 2004. It is believed that this Amendment is timely filed on or before December 14, 2004. Notwithstanding, should this Paper not be considered timely filed, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of months required to maintain pendency of the Application.

Please amend the application as follows: